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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Gordon, et al. )  
Application No. 09/817,446 )  
Filed: March 26, 2001 )  
For: Methods and Apparatus for )  
Determining Analytes in Various )  
Matrices )

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- ☐ Enclosed is a certified copy of Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.55b and 35 U.S.C. § 119.
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- ☐ A Declaration of Inventorship and Limited Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ A Certificate of Ownership and Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- ☐ Enclosed is an information disclosure statement is enclosed.
- ☒ Enclosed herewith is a amendment/response for filing in relation to the above-identified application. Entry and consideration of this amendment/response is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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